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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 17601.25a.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)
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	Stevan Nielsen, et al.	)
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Serial No.:	10/523,218	) Art Unit
		) 3773
Filed:	October 19, 2005	)
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Conf No.:	8376	)
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For:	APPARATUS FOR SEALING A PUNCTURE	)
	BY CAUSING A REDUCTION IN THE	)
	CIRCUMFERENCE OF THE PUNCTURE	)
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Examiner:	Jing Rui Ou	)
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Customer No.:	57360	)

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2009, Applicant respectfully submits the following to be filed in the above-identified application.

The Examiner has requested a correction to the election of specific claims in regards to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 21, 2009.

Application No. 10/523,218  
Response dated August 27, 2009  
Reply to Restriction Requirement mailed April 21, 2009

The Applicant hereby elects without traverse Species A, containing Figures 1-7B and claims 24-40. Applicant also authorizes the Examiner to withdraw the remaining claims 41-46.

Dated this 27th day of August, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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